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1. PRESIDENT FRANGIE EXPECTED LAND BEIRUT 1530 LOCAL TODAY NOVEMBER 16. AT NOON TODAY ANTOINE FATTAL, ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TELEPHONED ME TO SAY THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY FOR ME TO GO TO AIRPORT TO GREET PRESIDENT AS PAPAL NUCIO WOULD BE REPRESENTING THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. FATTAL ADDED THAT IT WAS ANTICIPATED THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF PALESTINIANS WOULD BE GREETING PRESIDENT AND THIS WAS A FACTOR IN ASKING PAPAL NUCIO TO REPRESENT CORPS. I ASKED FATTAL IF ARAB AMBASSADORS MIGHT BE PRESENT AND HE SAID THIS WAS QUITE POSSIBLE. I THEN ASKED FATTAL IF HE COULD TELL ME WHETHER FOREGOING MESSAGE HAD BEEN SENT FROM PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S AIRCRAFT. HE SAID QUOTE YES END QUOTE. WE DID NOT CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION OTHER THAN TO EXCHANGE VERY FRIENDLY SALUTATIONS. GODLEY

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